Dear Paul,

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The local paper carried a story on my last week's press conference re C.A. 75-226. When I had my weekly blood test this morning the technician talked to me about it. It turns out that like many, he is retired from the Navy, where he was a medical technician at Bethesda. He knew Humes and Boswell well and disliked Humes and did not have a much higher opinion of Boswell. But it was somewhat higher.

He says that Humes was a lazy incompetent and that most of what was under his name was actually done by pathologists under him. He appeared to be emphasizing both incompetence and character flaws as he saw it.

He says that when Humes left to go to Detroit he took someone named O'Connell with him and that this O'Connell could not make it there in the private hospital.

While the name O'Connell does sound familiar I do not place him immediately. I don't know if he meant O'Connor or if I misunderstood him.

Best wishes,